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HONGKONG, 30th MAY, 1904

With some of the remarks of the *Singapore Free Press* recently on the question of the Kowloon-Canton Railway we are most thoroughly in accord. We do not know much about the Crown Agents in this particular, and do not yearn to know anything by experience. If the British Imperial Government, or the Colonial Government, by permission of Downing Street, undertook to make the railway they would no doubt call for tenders and not resort to the Crown Agents, who fulfil a useful office in their way, of course, but should not be made intermediaries in such a matter as the construction of a State railway. But with the following sentences from our Straits contemporary our readers will, we are sure, agree:—"Sir MATTHEW NATHAN is not only a high authority on defence, but as a Royal Engineer, as having served in the Sudan, and governed the Gold Coast, he knows well the value of improving 'rapid communication with the great back country of China. Let Hongkong take a leaf out of the book of Russia through 'railway policy, and at any cost see the line constructed out of hand—a double line, too, to begin with. If the harvest is to be reaped, there should not be a moment lost in getting the seed put into the ground." No time should be lost indeed, but for other and still stronger reasons than those named above. Five and a half years have already been lost, and with it a large slice of the prestige Great Britain enjoyed in the Far East formerly as being foremost in every great work and enterprise. Not only so, but her great commercial outpost in Eastern Asia is daily running the risk of finding a rival in the China seas wherein she

has been for more than half a century pre-eminent as the distributing centre for the trade of South China.

It is to be hoped that the efforts being made by the local branch of the China Association and by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce will bear good fruit before long. We want to see the reproach wiped off British enterprise that it is a laggard in the race for concessions for railways; we want to see railways in China which have been constructed by British capital and built with British materials. We want above all things to see the New Territory opened up to trade, and communication by rail between Kowloon and Canton established, and from thence to Hankow and Peking. We want to see Kowloon constituted at once and effectively the seaward terminus of China's great main railway, which will traverse it from the capital to the City of Rams, and thence to the sea. It is especially ours to see that the final section is constructed by British capital and laid by British engineers, and that the work does not drift out of our hands. Other nations are not only eager to secure concessions for making railways in China, but also swift to carry them into effect. The Russians, the Germans, the Belgians, the French, and the Americans are all engaged in the work, and other concessions are being applied for. Only the other day we announced that a railway was being projected from Macao to Canton, and that Chinese capital was freely forthcoming for the enterprise. We now learn that a concession has been applied for, or granted—we are not sure which—by a railway from the city of Chuenchow-fu to Swatow, thirty-five miles in length, a line that cannot well fail to pay, for the traffic is great between the two places. This line should, by good rights, have been placed in British hands, for British interests greatly predominate at Swatow, but we believe it is in the possession of some foreign syndicate. No one can blame other Powers if they are more enterprising and secure the prize first, but it is to be deplored that Great Britain, which was the pioneer in opening up China to foreign trade, and which has always possessed so preponderating a share of that trade, should allow herself to be left so hopelessly in the rear in the matter of railway enterprise. The marvel is that foreign capital and enterprise have not been allowed to construct the railways in the city of Victoria. It took twenty years to talk about them, but they have at last been laid, and laid so long before being brought into use that the track is being worn away before the cars commence running.

The Futsan-Samsui section of the Canton Railway is to be opened on Wednesday next, the 1st prox.

It will be seen from our advertisement columns that it has been decided to close the local Russo-Japanese War Fund on Saturday next.

One Chinese gunboat still remains at Macao. The extradition proceedings which have been taken against the ex-Magistrate of Namoi are still proceeding.

Four more fatal Chinese plague cases were reported on Saturday. One body was found in Des Vœux Road and another on the foreshore at Lai-chikok.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that the name of Mr. G. A. Watkins has been added to the list of persons exempted from the operations of the Poisons Byelaws.

It is said that a lot of American excursionists are to be taken to places near the war, including Chifoo. A little further north and west, we suppose, stray mines will add excitement to the trip.

The United States Consul at Newchwang has been raised to Consul-General and acknowledged as such by the Chinese Government. Mr. Morgan, U.S. Consul at Dally, has reached Nagasaki on his way to his post.

On the 21st inst. the Shanghai Cricket Club defeated the Navy by 60 runs on the first innings. The Naval team included Commander Watson, Messrs. Horsey, Irwin, Bisset, de Paris, and Capt. Harris. On the 23rd the Navy's Rugby team beat Shanghai by 1 goal 4 tries to nil.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Mr. E. S. Bragg, U.S. Consul-General, has been recognised as in charge of the interests of the Republic of Panama in Hongkong, pending other arrangements; and that the King's exequatur empowering Mr. A. Haupt to act as Danish Consul has received His Majesty's signature.

Yesterday Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. left their old premises in d'Aguilar Street and "fitted" over to Alexandra Buildings, where to-day they will start business. The staff had a busy time in transferring their goods from one house to the other. In the evening the workers were entertained to dinner by the firm in the Hongkong Hotel.

It is reported from the North, says the *N.C. Daily News*, that there is great panic amongst the people still left in the city and environs of Moukden, owing to a rumour spread by the Russians there that the moment the Japanese forces come near Liaoyang the Russians intend to set fire both to that city and to Moukden and then retreat to Harbin. In consequence of this all who are able to leave Moukden are doing so to seek safety elsewhere.

The *Odeutsche Lloyd* publishes the following, dated Peking, 21st May:—"The report that the German Minister has consulted the Wai-wan with a view to the placing of guard troops on the Shantung railway, is a pure invention. As the Chinese intend to fully protect the railway themselves, which they have done also in the past to the fullest satisfaction of all concerned there was no reason why the German Minister should consult in this matter the Chinese Government at all.

An American paper has the following telegram dated from Moukden, the 23rd April:—"The British authorities at Hongkong and Singapore are stopping the circulation of the *Echo de Chine* newspaper because it is too Russophile. The *Singapore Straits Times* has, by order of the authorities, refused to publish Russian official dispatches. Another injustice to our French contemporary, and evidence of British small-mindedness, remarks the *N.C. Daily News*. It is really wonderful how they find these things out at Moukden.

The following is the programme of music to be performed by the band of the 11th Mahratta Light Infantry on the New Parade Ground from 5 to 6.30 p.m. to-day:—
March.....H.M.S. *Camperdown*.....Clode
Overture....."Caravalla".....Williams
Selection....."The Pirates of Penzance".....Goldfay
Valse....."Les Mousquetaires".....Delibes
Intermezzo....."The Moonlight".....Bogatti
Selection....."Stephen Adams's Popular Songs".....Hendley
"G. I. Save the King."

The following "rider" concerning alien immigration has been attached to a Bill recently passed by the U.S. Senate:—"All Chinese and other aliens whose emigration is encouraged or induced by the agreement of any foreign Government or by any integral part thereof or by any foreign colony or dependency, directly or indirectly, with any transportation company, or who are brought to this United States as passengers by any transportation company having agreement with any foreign Government or any integral part thereof, or any foreign colony or dependency, which agreement binds said foreign Government to furnish a certain number of emigrants to such transportation company, or to make payments to such company or companies in case the agreed number of emigrants are not furnished or do not apply for passage, shall be excluded from admission to this United States.

According to a London telegram to an American paper, May Yohs has reappeared at the Hippodrome Music Hall in Brighton, and is singing her old songs, "Oh Honey, My Honey," and "Lazily, Drowsily," from *Little Christopher Columbus*, which was the rage in London ten years ago. "She retains some of the sweet notes of her voice and a good deal of her charm, but instead of being a slight graceful girl she now is a stately woman," says the message. "She is to appear soon in the syndicate halls of the West End of London at a salary of \$500 a week. Until they went to Brighton she and her husband, Major Putnam Bradley Strong, of New York, could be seen in the dining-room every night at the Carlton. One evening Lord Francis Hope arrived on the scene with his new bride. The two parties saluted each other and smiled but did not speak."

Discussing the projected Canton-Macao Railway, the Hongkong correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* writes:—"Personally I am sceptical on all counts, though a concession may have been negotiated, but between the granting of the concession and the construction sufficient time almost to forget the work often intervenes, and American capital is not, I notice, very readily forthcoming for investment in the Far East. At the same time there are some points in this Canton-Macao line. The route would present no serious engineering obstacles, and could be made in much less time than the Kowloon-Canton Railway. It therefore behoves the promoters of the latter line to brace up and carry out the terms of their valuable concession without any further timorous delay. If they are unable or fear to make the plunge, it will be necessary for the colony and the Imperial Government to take steps to get the concession cancelled, for it is now in its present condition a standing menace to Hongkong.

The *Times* correspondent with the Tibet Mission, commenting on the fight at Gura, says:—"It was a short but terrible lesson. One may hope that it will have its effect upon the sullenness of Lhasa, but there were too few Lamas engaged on their side to bring home to the great ruling monasteries of Tibet the danger of trifling with her southern neighbour when once the day of procrastination is past. An attempt was made to defend Gura itself two miles on, but this was quickly broken, and after establishing a garrison there General Macdonald returned to Tuna against a bitter wind and a gathering sky after having made every possible arrangement for the help of the wounded. Such is the brief account of an unparalleled engagement. It remains to be seen whether the lesson will have been learned. It is to be regretted that not one of the four leading Tibetans escaped to tell the tale at home. But the 200 first taken and disarmed will be able to testify to the good faith and treatment which they received at our hands, and it will be difficult to get the country people to meet us in fight again. Indeed, some of them openly rejoiced in their freedom now that the Gaden Lama was dead.

TELEGRAMS.

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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT]

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A Royal Commission recommends raising by conscription a force estimated at 350,000 men for home defence.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.—EVENTS AT PORT ARTHUR.

London, 27th May.
Port Arthur reports on the 25th instant that another attempt was made to block the port by means of mines on the night of the 19th instant. It is believed that two Japanese torpedo-boats and a launch were sunk. Between the 18th and the 21st instant the Russians have removed eleven Japanese mines.

THE CAPTURE OF KINCHOW.

London, 27th May.
After five days' desperate fighting the Japanese have captured Kinchow.

PURCHASE OF A WARSHIP.

London, 27th May.
Reuter's Agency learns that a French gentleman has purchased a cruiser now completing in one of the large British yards.

RUSSIAN PURCHASE OF TROOPERS.

London, 27th May.
The Russian Government has recently bought in England a number of fast cargo vessels, adaptable for troopships.

THE RECENT DISTURBANCES IN WARSAW.

London, 26th May.
The *Standard* publishes the following from a well-informed Russian correspondent, undated:—"It is rumoured that after the recent disturbances in Warsaw, six hundred persons were hanged by an administrative order, without trials; there have been similar executions in Cronstadt; while in Moscow eighty coffins have been seen leaving the city at the dead of night escorted by troops." The correspondent gives the most gloomy account of the effects of the war in commercial and agricultural life, more-over forecasts indicate poor crops.

"IMAGINARY EX CUTIONS."

London, 27th May.
The executions at Warsaw and Moscow reported on the 26th instant are declared at S. Petersburg to be purely imaginary.

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

London, 26th May.
The Hon. Charles Hardinge, in presenting his credentials to the Tsar, handed a private letter to His Russian Majesty from King Edward. He also expressed the desire of the letter to maintain the best possible relations between Great Britain and Russia.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT.

London, 26th May.
A Yellow-book on the Anglo-French Agreement contains a letter from M. Delcassé to French representatives abroad. M. Delcassé, referring to Egypt, says that the safeguards for the financial interests of Frenchmen are strengthened by an undertaking not to convert or redeem their Egyptian bonds for several years.

BILLIARDS.

EXHIBITION AT CLUB LUSITANO.

Mr. John Roberts, the ex-billiard champion, gave an exhibition at Club Lusitano on Saturday, playing two games.

The first game was played against Mr. C. M. P. Remedios, who was allowed 400 points in a game of 600 up. For the first 10 or 15 strokes play was fairly even. Roberts then made a break of 98. Remedios had at that time scored 30. Other good breaks by Roberts were 70, 69, 47, 46. Remedios, on the other hand, played well, scoring three breaks of 22, 21, and 19 respectively. Remedios won by 56 points.

The second game was played against Mr. J. A. Carvalho, a handicap of 400 being given. As before, Roberts seemed rather careless, not pressing his breaks as far as he might have. Carvalho scored well at the outset; he had 550 when Roberts was 500. Roberts's best breaks in this game were 70, 69, 46, and 47. Carvalho made breaks of 22, 16, and 14. Carvalho lost the game by ten points.

At the conclusion Mr. Roberts showed the attendance, close on a hundred in number, some smart tricks. He made cannons after sending his ball under a basket, circular cannons, and such like. The evening was a very pleasant one.

WAR NOTES.

JAPANESE OFFICIAL DESPATCHES.

On Saturday and yesterday Mr. M. Noma, Japanese Consul, courteously forwarded to us copies of the following official telegrams received by him:—

Tokyo, 27th May, 6.35 p.m.

The detailed report of the attack at Kinchow is as follows:—"The enemy built several covered trenches around forts of Nanshan and offered a stubborn resistance under the strong defence works. Nevertheless, after several attempts we finally succeeded in taking the enemy's position by storm, driving the enemy towards Nankwanling. This severe fight continued sixteen hours.

Admiral Togo telegraphs that the captain commanding the detached fleet, consisting of four gunboats and the torpedo flotilla, reports by wireless telegraphy that the fleet reached Kinchow Bay, and co-operating with our army bombarded Nanshan on the 26th May, and upon witnessing our army occupy Nanshan forts withdrew. The captain of the *Chokai* was killed, and there were nine other casualties. Damage done to our ships was insignificant.

Tokyo, 28th May, 2.10 p.m.

The commander of our army attacking Kinchow reports that a detachment consisting of infantry, artillery, and engineers occupied Nankwanling on the morning of the 27th instant. The enemy was driven towards Port Arthur, burning the railway station at Sanshihiao, north-west of Dalny. On the 26th we captured fifty guns, besides many other things. The enemy left 400 dead. Our casualties are estimated at 3,000.

Tokyo, 28th May, 6.45 p.m.

The attack on the enemy at Nanshan commenced at 2.35 a.m. The enemy's defensive works were nearly of a permanent nature, their artillery consisting of 50 guns of various calibres and two quick-firing field artillery companies. The infantry, ranged in two or three lines of covered trenches with loopholes and set machine-guns at important points, offered stubborn resistance. We ranged all our field-guns upon the forts. The enemy's principal artillery was silenced at 11 a.m., while the quick-firers, previously retired to Nankwanling, fired till night. Our artillery concentrated fire upon the enemy's trenches, our infantry advancing within 400 to 500 metres of the enemy, but very entanglements, mines, and trenches lay before us, and the enemy's infantry fire and machine-guns remained unabated. We approached 200 metres further towards the enemy, several charges still proving unsuccessful, our officers and men all falling when 20 or 30 metres from the enemy. Our artillery then prepared for firing, and in the evening, with the most severe cannonading, the last charge was made. With great difficulty we opened the breach through which we gained the whole height and expelled the enemy, capturing all their guns on the forts. The fortunate incident of this attack was the discovery of a mine, attached to a wire, at the eastern foot of Nanshan. We cut the wire and explosion was prevented.

THE S.S. "HAINAN."

The following are excerpts from a letter from an official on the s.s. *Hainan*, the official despatch-carrier for the *Times*:—

S.S. *Hainan*, Weihaiwei, 17th May.

Dear —, No doubt you have heard rumours about the tribulations and vicissitudes of the *Hainan* and her crew: "Stormed at with shot and shell," "Russian prisoners," "Davey Jones's locker," etc., etc., which rumours all go to show the truth of King David's last statement that all men are liars; of course he meant nearly all. As I expected, we are having a very uneventful time. We saw the third bombardment of Port Arthur, but were too far off to get a really good idea of it; you probably know as much about what is going on as we do. The Japs allow us to enter Chemulpo and the Pingyang inlet, and we have been to Nagasaki twice, but our correspondents do not tell us much of what they hear ashore, perhaps because there is not much to tell. We were stopped by a Russian cruiser off Port Arthur about six weeks ago. The *Yagyu* was her name, and Admiral Makaroff himself was aboard. She very childishly trained all her guns on us and sent some officers and men aboard to enquire what was the wireless message we had just sent off.

It was as follows:—"We are about to be boarded by a Russian cruiser. If no further message is received from us within three hours inform Captain H.M.S. *Levintham*, Commissioner of Weihaiwei, and London *Times*."

When the Russians were told what it was they dropped us like a hot potato and cleared out to Port Arthur, which was then about 35 miles off. They seemed to be very much afraid that the Japs would leave in sight; their manner was sulky and like that of men who expected to meet their end very soon. The Russian Navy has no great traditions, and seems very unlikely to make such in this war.

THE DESTRUCTION OF DALNY.

Discussing Vlady Alexieff's telegram, announcing that he had blown up the dock and the piers at Dalny in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Japanese, the *Japan Mail* says:—"That is the plainest indication His Excellency could give that he abandons the hope of defending the place. In itself Dalny has no great importance, for though the Russians have spent immense sums there, the ultimate object of the commercial object they had in contemplation had not yet become probable when the war broke out. But, politically th

less of Dalny would be a very severe blow, inasmuch as the place may justly be called the capital of Russia's Manchurian acquisitions. Strategically, also, the fall of Dalny would be of the utmost moment. If the Japanese obtain possession of Victoria Bay, they can effectively turn the Kinchow isthmus position, which is of enormous strength and might be held for an indefinite time against an army operating from the north alone. With Dalny in their hands, however, the Japanese can land south of the isthmus, and will then be within 23 miles of Port Arthur. One imagines that Alexieff should strain every nerve to defend Dalny, but here comes in the vital item of account, namely, that he has entirely lost command of the sea. Without ships it would be a tough job to hold Dalny or to keep an enemy out of Talien Bay. So far as the Japanese are concerned, they too will have a tough job to clear out the passive obstructions that exist in the Bay. But, after all, that is merely a question of time and effort. Military obstacles have no serious efficacy except as means of holding troops under fire. The Japanese squadron on thoroughly covered any craft it sends in to "sweep out" Talien Bay. Probably the work is going on at present. From Alexieff's telegram we infer that he intends to rely on his last line of defence for holding Port Arthur, and that Dalny and Kinchow isthmus will not be resolutely held.

TELEGRAMS TO SHANGHAI.

Tokyo, 21st May.—The latest news, reliable, is that the Russian cruiser *Bogatyr* was destroyed and sunk in a dense fog, probably almost simultaneously with the sinking of the *Kinchin Maru*.

Tokyo, 21st May.—It is officially announced that a flotilla of Japanese gunboats and destroyers approached Port Arthur at 1 a.m. on the 20th instant, and effected a reconnaissance in force in despite of a furious cross fire from the batteries. The flotilla left at dawn; no casualties reported.

Tokyo, 23rd May.—The second issue of Exchequer Bonds was announced to-day. They are five per cent. bonds running for seven years, and the minimum issue price is 92. A *communiqué* issued *apropos* says that the estimated war expenditure to the end of the fiscal year from the beginning of hostilities is over forty-one million yen.

Tokyo, 23rd May.—Some Japanese officers and scouts encountered and exterminated ten Russian cavalrymen on the 21st inst. in the interior, north-west of Takushan. Another scouting party captured two cavalrymen and seven horses. The Japanese also captured on the 21st inst. a captain and a corporal who were attempting to reconnoitre the rear of the Japanese camp at Tauschanching.

Tokyo, 23rd May.—Reliable information has been received that the Russian soldiers are continually surrendering themselves, apparently to avoid fighting, notwithstanding the strictest instructions to the contrary issued by the Russian commanders. Japan's treatment of her prisoners is as tender as possible, and bears full testimony to her humanitarian principles. The prisoners already arrived profess themselves profoundly gratified at their treatment by the Japanese.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP FINAL.

In the final round of the annual Captain's Cup, on Saturday, Dr. Drew, R.N., beat Mr. T. C. Gray by 1 up.

At the end of the first round Dr. Drew was one up, and increased his lead till he was 3 up and 4 to play at the fifth. Gray then won the next 3 holes, so that it was all square and one to play. At the last hole Drew laid his opponent a "stylin'" and thus won by 1 up.

As this winner is leaving for home within a month, this victory is an excellent termination to his golfing days in Hongkong. Dr. Drew is a most persevering and energetic player and well deserves his success. The final stylin' was perhaps rather hard lines on Gray, but he will no doubt have other opportunities of distinguishing himself.

The scores for the 17 holes were:—Drew, 85; Gray, 86.

POLICE RECREATIONS.

On Saturday afternoon a very pleasant little function took place at the Central Police Station, when Mrs. Badley, the wife of Mr. F. J. Badley, Captain Superintendent of Police, presented the prizes won in various competitions in connection with the Hongkong Police Recreation Club. The shooting prizes were won by Inspector W. Robertson (1), Sergeant W. Pitt (2), Inspector W. Withers (3), and Sergeant John Grant (4). In the Central billiards competition Inspector A. C. Langley was first, P. C. Blown second, and P. C. Cooper third, while Sgt. Pitt won the prize for the highest break (43). In the Tsimshatsui billiards handicap, Inspector Withers took first honours, and the second place was secured by Sgt. Pitt. In the Tami, tournament at the Central P. C. Deveney won the first prize, with P. C. Clyde a good second; the double was won by Deveney and Pitt. In the Ladies' Nomination game the successful players were Deveney and Inspector Kerr, nominated respectively by Mrs. Robertson of Shaukiwan and Mrs. Gerrard of Shingunshi. P. C. Deveney was the first prize-winner in the Tsimshatsui singles; Inspector Withers second. After the presentation of prizes by Mrs. Badley Mr. J. W. Hanson, the Chief Detective Inspector, presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers, and expressed the pleasure which the Police felt for her graciousness in attending the ceremony and so kindly handing over the prizes.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

A Manila newspaper has been trying to show that the Philippine capital is an excellent place to live in, and after reading its remarks one is inclined to wonder why people come up to Hongkong from Manila to recruit. Certainly the character given to this island by our present Medical Officer of Health in his just published report is not alluring. Dr. Pearce is speaking, of course, of Hongkong in the summer months. He is obliged to state that the condition of the atmosphere in the City of Victoria during these months is very depressing, owing to the humidity and heat combined. And further, the City's position on the north side of the Island and at the foot of the hills, cuts it off from the winds prevailing in the hot season, while the steep site, the narrow streets, the high buildings and heavy canals all tend to produce stagnation when ventilation is most desirable. Not a pleasant picture, but a true one. I fear. Yet, if we judge by vital statistics, Hongkong is not an unhealthy city for the Far East. Apart from the bracing effects of the cold season, I am inclined to attribute the favourable health figures to two causes. The first is that the Chinese population is transitory to a great extent and does not stay here to die; and the second, that the European community is in the habit of taking occasional holidays at home, even though it has become more of a residential community than it used to be. For these two reasons, it seems to me, the bad effects of our depressing and unhealthy summer are not allowed full influence on the vital statistics.

A local resident writes me a lengthy letter on the vexed question of the Great Unregistered. The Government is obstinately adverse to the registration of domestic servants, but he hopes, as we all do, for its conversion. Meanwhile, however, my correspondent suggests that some improvement is desirable in regard to the licensing of chair and rickshaw coolies. The licence which the coolie obtains at a trifling expense from the Police, permits the coolie to ply for hire with a numbered ricksha or chair; but this, my correspondent points out, does not prevent the coolie from accepting any other employment that might be offered to him. Probably in eight cases out of ten the bearers of private chairs are holders of licences enabling them to ply for hire with a numbered public chair, and it not infrequently happens that considerable annoyance and inconvenience is caused to the man who regards himself as the coolie's employer. But owing to the scarcity of chairs willing to undertake this work, there is, as my correspondent says, a constant demand for chair-bearers, and employers are only too pleased to get them on whatever terms and conditions the coolies stipulate. They are certainly well paid—overpaid—but complaints of the insolence and independence of the coolies are plentiful. A coolie, however, has no right to leave his employer without notice, and I may remind my correspondent that an employer has his remedy in the police court. What my correspondent would like to see is that a licence issued to a coolie to enable him to ply for hire on the street should restrict him to that employment; if he wanted to enter private employ he should be required to take out a special licence, and no coolie should be allowed to take out both licences concurrently. Whether this suggestion thrown out is feasible without special legislative enactment I must leave for the consideration of the powers that be, but of the need and utility of some such system there can be no two opinions.

May I offer a suggestion to the P.W.D.? In Wyndham Street, just by the Police Station, there is a long point of winding road that might very nicely be cut off by a flight of steps in the same manner as the stairs leading from Queen's Road to the upper end of Battery Path. This would be a great improvement.

I see that a correspondent in your "water-front contemporary" has challenged "Englishman's" statements about the maltreatment of English sailors by the Police. Whatever be the merits of this particular case, there can be little doubt that the Police are long-suffering in dealing with European breakers of the peace. Should occasion arise they can, it is true, be very strenuous in their ways; but I have never seen a case yet in Hongkong of needless force or cruelty having been used in the arrest of offenders. If resistance is offered at home to the Police, the Magistrate generally takes the worst view of the case and passes sentence accordingly.

It is always comforting in Hongkong to reflect on the statement that "the worst smells are those that one can't smell"—worst for the health, that is to say. For certainly in Hongkong the smells that one can smell are fearful. In the past week, before the advent of the rain, they have been particularly virulent. To walk along any of our main roads, not to mention any bye-roads, has been a terrible trial to anyone in the slightest degree sensitive. It would really be difficult to say that a Chinese town could be more unpleasant to the nose. I remember once walking through the streets of Canton and suddenly striking a comparatively pleasant scent after what I had been passing through. It turned out to be rising from a basket of onions being carried by a coolie in front of me. I often wish now that I had an onion with me in Queen's Road. But happily the rains will bring relief.

When the Police take over the old Bay View Hotel as a station again they will find there as a relic one of the turtles which were for several years in a small pond beside the house. There used to be two; one remains, and it seems to feel very much the loss of its companion, for it swims around the narrow sphere of its existence with untiring fins. It would almost be charity to make a dish of turtle soup out of the creature.

After turtles, let us talk about glowworms. I have heard it said that one never sees a glow-worm in Hongkong, and that the little phosphorescent lights one may occasionally see in the verdant hillsides at night are the lights of fireflies. I am not a naturalist, and so cannot dispute a statement so confidently made. If I consult a text-book it tells me merely that a glow-worm is a lampyrid beetle, as *Lampyrus noctiluea* or *L. pendulula* of Europe, the female of which is wingless, somewhat wormlike, and displays from the abdomen a green light that attracts the less phosphorescent males. It is stated too that the larvae are also luminous. In the United States the luminous larva of a firefly is called a glowworm. Perhaps some local naturalist will kindly say whether it is the American or European glowworm we have in Hongkong. The other night I saw one of the prettiest sights of the kind I have seen anywhere. In a mossy bank rising from one of the yet untrained nullahs on the hill I saw quite fifty of these little lights studding a space of about a yard square.

At low tides, when Causeway Bay and the neighbourhood of the Bowrington Canal are high-and-dry, cockle hunters have a fine time. Not satisfied with the large area laid bare they wade out knee-deep, digging and poking away with their iron hooks, or feeling for shells with claw-like hands. Great excitement is caused over a stranded jelly-fish. These poor fishing folk, if not addicted to cramp, have a healthy means of gaining a livelihood. It must be fairly profitable too, or so many Chinese would not be engaged at it.

BANYAN.

POLO.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH IN HONGKONG.

Members of the Hongkong Polo Club turned out on Saturday afternoon to watch the game Ireland v. Scotland, the final of the International Polo Cup. Shortly before the appointed hour a heavy shower of rain came down, and the state of the weather appeared so threatening that it was feared the game would have to be postponed. Things, however, cleared up shortly afterwards, and although the sun was unable to show himself through the blanket of overcast the afternoon was cool and pleasant.

The band of the 93rd Burma struck up a lively air as the eight horsemen trotted into the field. The Irish team, distinguished by their green jackets, was composed of Mr. Knox, R.N., Capt. Carleton, H.E. Mr. F. H. May, and Mr. J. Hastings. Scotland, on the other hand, was represented by Major Hamilton, Mr. J. Johnstone, Mr. Cruickshank, and Mr. Lyon, R.N. Capt. Nugent was referee.

Almost immediately after the throw in Johnstone scored a sub for Scotland, in spite of strenuous efforts by Hastings to prevent him. Knox then got a bit of a run, but was ruled off-side. The other side, of course, had a free hit, Lyon taking it. Hamilton swept down the field hotly pursued by May and the others, finishing his run with a goal. Scotland, continuing to play an excellent game, again secured possession, Hamilton neatly passing to Cruickshank. Johnstone finally scored a goal, the second for the Northerners. From the throw in again Cruickshank made a nice hit, but lost to May who, unfortunately, sent the ball outside. Hastings then had a bit of a canter. He lost his stick, however, by getting it caught. Johnstone quickly took advantage of the situation and scored a sub. Lyon shot a neat goal just before the half-time bell commenced to announce that seven minutes were up.

Half-time.—Scotland, 3 goals 2 subs; Ireland, 0.

On the re-start Carleton, now on his little Burma pony, got away neatly and scored No. 1 for Ireland. Play was now so exciting that when the ponies went into double run one could hardly like getting out and keeping time with them. After some hard work May added another goal for the Greens, making the contest all the more interesting. Again the Acting Governor made a bold effort, this time Johnstone, who was following closely, managing to send the ball behind. The Scots then eluded their opponents smartly, scoring a fourth goal; honours this time fell to Cruickshank. Hastings lost to Lyon, Lyon, in turn, losing to May. Lyon hotly pursued the latter, saving splendidly. Carleton then helped Ireland to get some of their own back, shooting an excellent goal with a back-hander. A little over one minute was left for play. Johnstone closed the scoring with a fifth for his side, Scotland winning an easy victory.

Result.—Scotland, 5 goals, 2 subs—Ireland, 3 goals.

SHIPPING NOTES.

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING.

The s.s. *Haiding*, from Foochow via ports, reports a very disagreeable passage. She experienced light N.W. and S.W. breezes with intervals of rain, thunder and lightning. Arrivals from other directions report fine weather as far as Gap Rock. We know all about the rest!

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz*, left Colombo on the 28th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 8th prox.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Zieten* arrived at Shanghai on Friday, 11 p.m.

The P.M. steamer *Siberia*, with mails, &c., which left hence the 30th for San Francisco via Shanghai, &c., arrived at her destination on the 27th inst.

The C. & M. steamer *Perla* left Manila on Friday, p.m., and is due here on or about today, at daylight.

The O.E.S. & C.M. steamer *Hyson* is expected to leave Victoria (B.C.) on the 10th prox. for Hongkong via Japan.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

The annual meeting of the V.R.C. will be held in the S. Andrews' Hall, City Hall, at 6 p.m. to-day. On the present committee the name of H.E. Sir H. Blake, G.C.M.G., figures as President. This obviously will have to undergo a change. Mr. A. Chapman is Chairman, and the following names appear on the sub-committees:—Bath-house, Messrs. E. M. Hazeland, W. G. Humphreys, T. Meek; boat-house, Messrs. G. A. Caldwell, W. Armstrong, E. W. Mitchell; gymnasium, Messrs. W. S. Bailey, W. A. Craik, A. Rodger. Mr. R. H. B. Mitchell is Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. H. C. Anstee Acting Hon. Secretary. Mr. Craik, it may be mentioned, a few days ago left for home by the *Empress of Japan* on six months' leave, so he will have to be substituted. Mr. H. C. Anstee is present holder of the more or less thankless although perhaps, interesting, post of Hon. Secretary, but a certain section of the Club desire to put another gentleman into that position. The latter, they say, has been a member of the V.R.C. for about 15 years, having for a period acted as Hon. Secretary Mr. Anstee, on the other hand, is now in the position putting in hard work which takes up the most of his leisure.

The discussions ought to be interesting. As there are many matters of vital importance to the Club, which, it may be said, is about to go through the most important stage of its history, it is to be hoped that all members who are able will attend at the meeting, so that the proceedings generally speaking may be conducted wisely, and in a manner approved by the majority of members.

NEW TERRITORY NOTES.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

28th May.

AGRICULTURE.

Rain is wanted very badly. Incessant labour is required with the hand rotary pumps to keep the fields flooded. Many fields have not been planted with rice for want of water. The sweet potato-crop when raised exceeded expectations. The crop results were splendid. It was feared the long dry winter had spoiled the growth of the potatoes, but the first rains came early in the spring and worked wonders. The "Wo Suk" (a kind of bird-seed), which is grown plentifully around Shamshun and elsewhere, is now being cut. Peanuts are growing splendidly, and promise a good yield. The fruit on the lichee, peach, and pear trees is now about half-grown and fruit promises to be abundant, but rain must come soon.

Cattle and pigs are exceptionally free from disease this year so far. There is excellent grass for the cattle on the hills which were burned in winter.

CROWN RENT.

The Government, after long suffering at the hands of reluctant rent-payers, has now assumed a firmer attitude. The farmers have found themselves suddenly threatened with distress warrants. The quick departure from the old lenient methods practised by the Government of late years proved in no time surprise to many, and the farmers are now paying in their rent-dues in coin mouldy with long keeping. Had the Government adopted a firm attitude at the start much trouble might have been averted.

POLICE.

Following the excellent example set by Mr. Sevebene Smith in Hongkong, Mr. Wolfe, the Taupo Magistrate, has introduced the stocks in the New Territory. Criminals have already been exposed in the stocks at Unlong, Santin, Sheungshui, and Taipo. Taken as a whole the country is very quiet. Fights in some districts are frequent about the use of irrigating streams. A serious one took place the other day at Santin; as a result one man is now in hospital. Prosecutions for possession of illicit opium are frequent.

CHINESE TERRITORY.

The Chinese over the border are all of the idea that at some near date the British will take over the remainder of Sai On. This rumour (too good to be true) is raising the hopes of respectable traders over the border, but is ill received by the keepers of gambling and opium dens. Robberies are still frequent around Shamshun. A short while ago the military officer at Lin Tong went with an escort to Sa Wan Village, on the north shores of Deep Bay, to arrest some robbers. The villagers refused to deliver up the robbers, whom they themselves had arrested, and, in front of the officer's eyes, took the robbers from the village guard, tied them to trees, and shot them. Rumour has it that the villagers suspected the officer of endeavouring to receive "squeeze" from the prisoners' relatives and so frustrated his designs.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 28th at 11.29 a.m. The barometer has fallen at all stations, more particularly in the neighbourhood of the Loos and SW. Japan.

The depression referred to on the 25th has moved only slightly eastward and appears to be filling up.

The centre is indicated to the SW. of Kiasin. Gradients are very slight on the China Coast, and light variable winds and calms may be expected in the Formosa Channel, moderate S. to SW. winds in the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate S. to SW. winds, cloudy, fair.

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POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 28th May.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ.
(ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE.)

THE HAPPY RETREAT.

Chau Wai Chan, proprietor of the Happy Retreat Restaurant, was charged with contravention of the conditions of his eating-house licence by allowing prostitutes to remain on his premises. Supt. Kerr testified that he visited the premises on the 19th instant at 9.30 p.m. and found five Japanese women, two European women, and a Chinese woman.

Defendant contended that he had no intention of contravening the conditions of his licence. It was impossible to know what character his customers bore. If they came in and behaved in an orderly manner he could not turn them out on the mere suspicion of their being improper persons, for fear of the consequences to himself personally and the effect such an action might have upon his business. He would like guidance in the matter.

Decision was reserved.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (SECOND)
POLICE MAGISTRATE.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK SHOOTING CASE.

An Indian, Kala Singh by name, charged on the 16th inst. with maliciously wounding an apprentice painter at the Cosmopolitan Dock, by shooting him with a revolver, came up for sentence. Defendant, it will be remembered, pleaded guilty to wantonly discharging the revolver, but he said there was no malice. He had loaded the revolver, going some time later to get his pay. When he returned the Chinese apprentice said, "How do you fire it?" "Like this," answered the other, and a bullet cut the apprentice's eyelid. The injury received was not very serious. As the apprentice agreed that there was no malice, the charge was altered accordingly.

The case, when it first came before Mr. Kemp, was adjourned to know how long it would take complainant's wound to heal.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 or two months, and \$5 compensation or 14 days.

CHINESE FUNERALS.

Many Chinese funerals at Hongkong are not only peculiar to foreigners unacquainted with things Chinese, but to new arrivals from China also. To begin with, one never sees great bamboo scaffolding leading from the street to top windows of houses at Canton, for the simple reason that dwellings in that great metropolis are inhabited by one family, whereas the modern, gigantic, as compared to the run of buildings at Canton—dwelling-houses of Hongkong are occupied by several tenements, even the flats themselves being subdivided. A deceased member of a family at Hongkong, occupying a house to themselves, would be carried out of the front door. Coffins, though, are not allowed to be carried down narrow staircases in tenement houses; they have to go out of the window. Hence these great bamboo scaffolding making an incline from the street to near the top of three and four-story houses. Last respect to the dead takes shape of weird and painfully mournful spectacles, relations of the deceased carrying their wailings to extremes. Shortly before death, when departure from this life is considered inevitable, near relatives rob the dying person in burial garb; undertakers are not allowed to dress a corpse, and, as Chinese in general have a great fear of the dead, they prefer to perform as much as possible of the last respects necessitating handling the body before life is extinct. Perhaps no man on earth fears death more than the Chinaman. Sometimes on steamers, for instance, when a Chinese sailor or fireman becomes seriously ill, his shipmates fearing he will die, drag him out on deck for it is deemed that if he were allowed to die in the foetid air of the ship, he would remain. When a Chinese steamer passenger dies on board a coasting steamer, Chinamen will not touch the corpse, so the emporator has to pay the quartermasters—very often Manila-men—to do the work. To return to Hongkong, sons, wives, and unmarried daughters of deceased Chinese dress in lamboo sackcloth to attend the funeral. Married daughters and other near relations wear sackcloth of a finer kind; the former, by the way, continue in mourning for three years, the latter for one year only. Though we have two burial places at Hongkong, one at either extremity of the city, Chinese who can afford it prefer to be buried in their native country, many bodies being shipped from Hongkong to more inland places. Indeed, they are also sent to China from Australia, the United States, Straits Settlements, and many other distant places. When a coffin is awaiting shipment or burial the mourners, facing it, kneel on sackcloth-matting, wailing loudly as they repeatedly bend forward. The most coveted place for Chinese to bury their parents and ancestors is in a hill facing running water, enormous sums of money being often offered for such sites. Chinese priests make quite a trade out of finding propitious sites for burial where spirits can enjoy peace, and not worry their living relatives. Priests, it is alleged, made big "squeeze" out of landowners with whom they work in conjunction. Sometimes, even for self-gain, they advise re-burial in places they please to call more propitious sites. When the flesh has decayed, the bones are cleaned and placed in earthen jars. Chinese tombs are very often carved in picturesque design, naturally costing a deal of money.

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ALLEGED DECLINE OF CHRISTIANITY.

According to a writer in the *New York Independent* Christianity is on a decline in Europe. Frightened by the socio-industrial consequences of free-thought, an increasing section of the rich class leans toward the Church, and especially toward the Roman Catholic Church, which is regarded by all as the strongest bulwark of the capitalists' interest. The apparent clerical reaction is thus shown to be in fact a corollary of the decline of faith among the masses. But it is nevertheless true that the alliance of priest and capitalist, the coalition of spiritual and temporal power, against Socialism and free-thought, furnishes the conservative and reactionary parties with formidable means of action, and constitutes the most redoubtable threat against the immediate future of European civilisation. It is a contest between the Black International and the Red International. On the one hand are all those who hold that authority should descend from above, and who find in the Roman Catholic Church the most perfect expression of their ideal, the most inflexible guardian of their class privileges; on the other hand are those who insist that authority shall come from the people, and who, by the logic of circumstances, can find their hopes on nothing but Social Democracy.

One may welcome or deplore the fact of this coming concentration of forces about the Roman Catholic Church on the one side, the Social Democracy on the other. But none can deny that this concentration is inevitable, and that the future struggle will have to be fought out between these two armies. To those, therefore, who are interested in the social movement of Europe we say: Observe, above all else, if you wish to consider only the essential factors, the political activities of the Roman Catholic Church and those of international Socialism.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their Weekly Share List dated Hongkong, 28th May:—

A fairly large business has been done during the week under review, the principal feature being a further substantial rise in Indo-China. The sterling demand rate on London closes at 1s. 14d., while there is no change to report in rates on Shanghai. Bar silver in London is quoted 25 1/2 d., and Consols 89 1/2.

BANK SHARES.—Several lots of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank sold at \$865 and \$867, and at latter rate a few are on offer; the London rate is \$66. Nationals have not undergone any change.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions are on offer at \$550. China Traders sold and are in demand at \$60. North China, as well as Yangtze, are unchanged. Cantons rose to sales at \$220, but at that rate there are sellers.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong are wanted at \$310. Chinas sold at \$85 and are now wanted at \$85 1/2.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat shares sold at \$14, \$14 1/2, \$14 1/2, and \$14 1/2, and are on offer at latter rate. Indo-China have been in strong request, and a very large business has been done locally and from the north at rapidly rising rates; up to \$119 cash and equivalent rates on time have been paid.

Time shares are further cash buyers, while distant time shares are obtainable; the highest price paid for 31st December is \$125. Shanghai quotes sales at 11s 8d, and the London quotation is 10s 10d. China and Manilla are also firmer and are in demand at 22 1/2. Douglas sold and have further buyers at \$35.

Star Ferries are wanted at \$33 for old and \$22 for new shares. Shell Transports are obtainable at 26s, the London quotation is 25s.

REFINERIES.—China Sugar refined quiet in the early part of the week with sales at \$145 per end of the month, but at the close there are buyers at \$150 cash with no shares offering except at an advance. Lurons unaltered.

MINE SHARES.—Pujions are unchanged; the general meeting called for the 24th instant has been postponed till 1st prox. Charbonnages have sellers at \$490, and the final dividend of 25 per share, paid in Paris on 1st March, making 55 in all for 1903, against 60 for 1902. Rauts sold in fair quantities at \$7 to \$7 1/2, closing with buyers at \$7.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWN.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares have been in good demand and sales have been effected at \$218 to \$215, and there are further buyers at the higher rate. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's are changed hands at \$113, \$112, \$113 and \$112 cash and end of June, but have sellers at \$112 cash; on time shares are also offering. New Amoy Dock Company's shares are quiet at \$30. Farahams have been done at 11s. 150 and close steady. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are quoted in the north at 11s. 14 1/2 sales, the resolutions for issue of new shares, passed at the extraordinary general meeting of 25th ultimo, were confirmed at the extraordinary general meeting held on 18th inst.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's Shares changed owners at \$150, but more shares are obtainable. Kowloon Lands have improved to buyers at \$36. West P. Juts continue in demand at \$57. Hongkong Hotel's have receded to \$137 sellers. In Humphrey's Estate and Finance Company's Shares a large business has been done up to \$122 for old shares, the new shares closing with buyers at \$124. The new shares have sales and buyers at \$44. Shanghai Lands are quoted 11s. 100 in the north.

CORRUM MILLS.—Green Island Cements sold at \$27 1/2 and \$27 1/2, and more shares could be placed at the higher figure. A. S. Watson's sold at \$14 1/2 to \$14 1/2, closing quiet with a few sellers at the latter rate. Old Electrics changed hands at \$13 1/2 and are wanted; the new shares can be placed at \$7 1/2. Tramway Shares fetched \$280, while Hongkong Steam Waterworks have improved to \$165. China Providents have been fixed at \$9, and Wm. Powells at \$10 1/2. China Light and Power Shares can be placed at \$54. Langkats have advanced to 11s. 310.

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [38]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO REMOVAL.

THE OFFICES of the undersigned have This Day been REMOVED from No. 36, Queen's Road Central to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

EWENS & HARSTON,
Solicitors.

[1363]

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR FUND.

(1) Providing additional comforts in Hospital treating all sick and wounded from the War.
(2) In aid of the families of Japanese killed in the War.
It is proposed to close the above Fund on SATURDAY, 4th June, 1904, and intending Subscribers are therefore requested to kindly notify the undersigned on or before that date.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Hon. Treasurer.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1904. [1364]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell (for account of the concerned) the following:
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, situate at Victoria, Hongkong,

by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

In One Lot.

THURSDAY,

the 2nd day of JUNE, 1904, at 3 o'clock P.M.
This Property is known as No. 6, Ladder Street Terrace, and consists of:
ALL THAT Piece or Parcel of Ground registered in the Land Office as SECTION G of INLAND LOT No. 398, held for the residue of a term of 99 years from the 14th day of May, 1855.

Annual proportion of Crown Rent, \$3.33. Area, 822 square feet or thereabouts. The property can be let for \$8.0 a month. Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from the Undersigned, or from Mr. JOHN HASTINGS, No. 11, Wyndham Street, The Vendor's Solicitor.

GEORGE P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1904. [1365]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 3rd JUNE, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A COLLECTION OF JAPANESE CURIOS, comprising:
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On View from Thursday, the 2nd June. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEORGE P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1904. [1366]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 31st inst., at Noon.
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Hongkong, 30th May, 1904. [1367]

LOST.

ONE OFFICIAL SHIP'S REGISTRY of the American Schooner "U. L. LEEDS." Finder please return same to the Office of the Daily Press and receive reward. Manila, P.I., 23rd May, 1904. [1367]

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THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS and CHINA OVERLAND TRADEREPORT is now ready and contains:

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1904.

INTIMATIONS

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in ST. ANDREW'S HALL, City Hall, THIS DAY, the 30th MAY, at 6 P.M., for the purpose of considering and passing the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1903.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1904. [1328]

SHROFF WANTED.

WANTED A CHINESE SHROFF to collect bills and able to write English. Security \$100 required. Salary \$15 to \$20. Apply by English letter to—
BOX 205,
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Hongkong, 28th May, 1904. [1356]

WANTED.

A SIX-ROOMED DWELLING HOUSE. Please send offers to—
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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1319]

WANTED.

ENGLISHMAN requires position, Hongkong or Outposts; able to introduce Business. Good references. Write—
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Hongkong, 17th May, 1904. [1381]

SITUATION WANTED.

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Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1904. [1250]

WANTED.

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Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1335]

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J. CHRISTIE,
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Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [133]

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NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS.

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTON'S, KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902.

NOTICES OF REMOVAL.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

NOTICE.

ON and after MONDAY next, the Head Offices of the above Company will be at Kowloon (behind the godowns). Letters will be received at Ice House Street, Ferry Wharf, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. and forwarded to Kowloon.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

WILKINSON, HEYWOOD & CLARK, LD. (Proprietors of David Store & Co.) have REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS (3rd Floor). W. D. GRAHAM, Manager. Hongkong, 30th April, 1904. [1157]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LD.

NOTICE. The Company have This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, DES VUEX ROAD, 2nd FLOOR. J. LAWRENCE COTTER, Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1313]

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE REGISTERED OFFICES of the above Company have This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, DES VUEX ROAD, 2nd FLOOR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1314]

TEBRAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE. The Company have This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, DES VUEX ROAD, 2nd FLOOR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1315]

NOTICE.

WE have This Day REMOVED our OFFICES to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, DES VUEX ROAD, 2nd FLOOR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1316]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE REGISTERED OFFICE of the above Company has This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, DES VUEX ROAD, 2nd FLOOR. A. H. MANCELL, Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1317]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 31st May, 1904, at a quarter to eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, until WEDNESDAY, the 1st June, proximo (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares will be registered. And notice is further given that an Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place and on the same day at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon afterwards as the Ordinary General Meeting shall be concluded, when the proposed Resolution to be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a special Resolution to a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION. That the Capital of the Company be increased to Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars by the creation of Thirty Thousand New Shares of Ten Dollars each.

By Order, A. H. MANCELL, Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1319]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

POSTPONEMENT. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, 13, Broomfield Arcade, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st JUNE, 1904, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, the election of Directors and Auditor, and to consider the future financial arrangements for carrying on the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. R. LOWE, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 25th May, 1904. [1244]

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st JUNE, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

By Order of the Board of Directors, EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 19th May, 1904. [1285]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Lyman, on the night of the 31st May, 1904, in the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards.

If the weather is unfavorable, practice will not take place. Practice will commence at 7.15 p.m., and finish about 9.30 p.m. If the range is altered, L. BARNES-LAWRENCE, Harbour Master.

Harbour Master's Office, Hongkong, 19th May, 1904. [1318]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the VALUATION LISTS for the Colony for 1904-1905 will be open to inspection at the Treasury for Twenty-one days commencing on SATURDAY, the 28th May, 1904.

By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 21st May, 1904. [1340]

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONGKONG STEAM BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED AND REDUCED, and

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES 1877 and 1883.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition for confirming a resolution of the above Company for reducing its capital from \$100,000 to \$80,000 was on the 20th day of April, 1904, presented to the Supreme Court of Hongkong and is pending and that the list of creditors of the Company is to be made out as for the 15th day of June, 1904.

WILKINSON & GRIST, 9, Queen's Road Central, Solicitors for the Company. Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1350]

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on WEDNESDAY, the 1st JUNE, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 28th May, 1904. [1360]

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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 30th May, 1904, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at No. 6, GRANVILLE AVENUE, Kowloon, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (Particulars from Catalogue). TERMS:—Cash on delivery. On View on day of Sale.

GEORGE P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 27th May, 1904. [1352]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 31st May, 1904, at Noon, alongside Messrs. DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO.'S WHARF, The Screw Steamer "SZE WUI"

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TERMS:—As usual. For Further Particulars, apply to—
HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 21st May, 1904. [1301]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 31st May, 1904, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their Office, No. 8, Des Vieux Road Central (Corner of Ice House Street), THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, Being Section A of Inland Lot No. 630, in One Lot.

This Lot comprises Nos. 70 and 72 First Street, Nos. 69 and 71 Second Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The Property is held for the residue of a Term of 99 years from the 26th December, 1890, at the apportioned Annual Crown Rent of \$36.44. Area about 2,703 square feet. The property is let on monthly tenancies. Particulars and conditions of sale may be had from the Vendors' Solicitors, Messrs. DEACON, LOCKER, & DEACON, 10, Queen's Road Central, and also of the Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1329]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st JUNE, 1904, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their Office, No. 8, Des Vieux Road Central (Corner of Ice House Street), THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY being an undivided half share of Section A of Subsection 3 of Section B of Inland Lot No. 105. This lot comprises Nos. 35, Cochrane Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The lot is held for the residue of a term of 75 years and for a further term of 924 years at the Crown Rent of \$8 and is subject to a Mortgage for \$5,500 and interest thereon at 8 per cent. per annum.

Particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from the Vendors' Solicitors, Messrs. WILKINSON & GRIST, 9, Queen's Road Central, and also of the Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1343]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

NOTICE.

OWNERS of Goods which were burnt in the above Company's Godown No. 9, on the 29th April last are hereby notified that all such goods, or the Debris thereof, not claimed by the 1st June, will be forthwith disposed of at their risk and expense.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th May, 1904. [1339]

MYOSHI (Late TSURUYA) BOARDING HOUSE.

No. 34 to 38, DES VUEX ROAD, CENTRAL.

MYOSHI YOSHIWO having taken over the above hotel hereby gives public notice that he does not hold himself responsible for any debts that may have been contracted by his predecessor.

The name of the establishment is from this date changed to the MYOSHI BOARDING HOUSE. Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1338]

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G. L. HOUTHUYSEN, Notary Public at Samarang. Hongkong, 3rd May, 1904. [1172]

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MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR 1903.

The report of Dr. W. W. Pearce, Acting Medical Officer of Health, for 1903 is published in the *Gazette*. We make the following extracts:—

The geographical situation of the Colony just within the northern tropic (N. 22 deg. 5 min.) and its relation to the mainland of the southern part of the Chinese Empire, the annual cycle of meteorological phenomena, the configuration of the island of Hongkong and its geological formation, all combine to produce a state of things which, summed up under the word Climate, must have directly a great, though perhaps a not easily perceptible, effect on the health of the inhabitants.

Although Hongkong is an island, yet its proximity to the mainland modifies the solar climate considerably. The range of temperature throughout the year is considerable, yet it is not so great as is found to be the case in places not very far inland in the Kwangtung Province. The effect of the ocean is seen in that the highest monthly mean was only 82 F, while the effect of the proximity of the mainland of South China is felt in the comparatively low temperatures in the first two months of the year, when the mean temperatures were 58.3 and 58.4 respectively. The highest rise of the thermometer therefore in the hot season is small when compared with that which occurs in Calcutta, which is in about the same latitude, and the cool bright days of the cold season are, considering the low latitude of the Colony, a wonderful advantage from a climatic point of view.

There is no doubt, however, that the condition of the atmosphere in the City of Victoria is during the summer months very depressing. This is due to a great extent to the high percentage of moisture in the air at the same time when the temperature is high. But there are, in my opinion, other factors to be considered. The position of the City of Victoria on the northern side of the Island and at the foot of high hills cuts it off to a great extent from the influence of the prevailing winds of the hot season, and moreover the crowding together of the houses owing to the steepness of the site of the City and the lack of room for expansion, the resulting narrow streets, high buildings, and the heavy verandahs to the houses, all tend to produce a condition of stagnation in the atmosphere of the City during the time when free ventilation is most desirable.

The configuration of the ground upon which the City of Victoria is built is undoubtedly a great factor in the sanitary condition of the Colony. The steepness of the hills has rendered it necessary to cut deeply into the hillsides when preparing sites for houses, with the result that in the City dark and unhealthy basements abound. In some cases two floors are completely below the level of the ground on one side.

The nature of the rock or soil on which the City is built is also unfavourable. This geological formation of disintegrated granite or laterite has long been considered unhealthy. In former years, before the discovery of the relation of the mosquito to malarial fever, the laterite of Hongkong was considered to be essentially a malaria-producing soil. But apart from this it is easy to see how this soil may play its part as a factor in the sanitary condition of the Colony. This gravelly soil must contain a great quantity of water. This can be seen to be a fact inasmuch as there are springs or sources of water in the City which even during the longest droughts do not dry up. As a consequence the soil below the ground floor of houses and frequently the basements of houses themselves are more or less damp.

These matters have of course long been recognised and legislated for, but in actual practice I think that there is much to be desired. There appears to be great difficulty in obtaining, for example, lime concrete of a good enough quality to render a ground floor dry and impervious, and I am of the opinion that, wherever it is desired to lay down a ground surface which is to be impervious, good cement concrete should be insisted on in lieu of the lime concrete at present accepted as sufficient by the law.

[Here follow some remarks, with tables, concerning the connection between the state of the weather and the seasonal recurrence of plague. Unfortunately it is impossible to reproduce them in brief.]

RAINFALL AND WATER SUPPLY.

The annual scarcity of water is a matter of the greatest hygienic importance, inasmuch as the people are frequently driven to obtain water from most undesirable sources. Were the system of water service designed *ab initio* for an intermittent supply careful supervision could eliminate many dangers, but unfortunately we have in Hongkong that most dangerous combination—a system designed for constant service with an intermittent supply during several

months of each year. I have before, in a report on cholera at the Tung Wah Hospital 1902, pointed out the dangers of the ball valves in the street hydrants, and how they may be the means of entrance of specific infective material, and should unfortunately a water-borne disease, e.g. cholera, break out in the City during our time of intermittent supply there would be many chances of the disease assuming epidemic proportions.

GENERAL SANITARY CONDITION OF THE CITY.

Although comparatively few buildings have as yet been erected under the provisions of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, yet such buildings as have been put up show a marked improvement in the matter of open spaces about them when compared with old buildings. When a new building is erected on the site of an old building in a row of houses the shape of the old site does not afford sufficient opportunity to build a house of quite a new type. What is required in Hongkong is a new type of Chinese house, and this will surely not be obtained unless houses can be re-built in blocks so that the frontage of houses and consequently the available window area may be much wider for the depth of the houses than at present.

In Hongkong little or no attention has been paid to the necessity of adapting houses to the requirements of the community, and therefore the working classes have had to adapt themselves to existing houses. This has resulted in the present insanitary condition of the houses of the working classes of Chinese.

In Great Britain much has been done lately to provide houses for the working classes; affording the tenants the necessary privacy and independence and at the same time adequate lighting, ventilation, and other sanitary requirements. It should not be difficult to model some scheme to effect this in Hongkong taking into consideration the local conditions and adapting the scheme to the place. This I fear cannot be effected merely by the re-building of houses one by one on their old sites, but only by concerted action.

During the year special attention has been paid to the enforcement of the domestic cleanliness laws. The standard of thoroughness for the six-monthly linewashing of tenement houses has been considerably raised, though not without much difficulty and opposition at first.

GENERAL CLEANING OF THE CITY.

On November 10th there was begun a general cleaning of the buildings throughout the City of Victoria and Kowloon. The scheme was as follows:—The Sanitary Inspectors of the Plague Staff were to have served on each separately let floor a notice requiring the tenants to cleanse the floor on the third day from the date of service. Failure to comply with the notice would result in the floor being cleansed by the coolies employed by the Board. On the morning of the day mentioned for compliance with the notice the Sanitary Inspector assisted by a Foreman would visit the houses to be cleansed on that day, and would supervise the work. Soft soap ready dissolved in hot water would be issued to the people free of cost. Any floors found clean would be exempted from further washing. Empty floors found dirty would be cleansed by coolies under the direction of the Sanitary Inspector. The scheme proved very successful. With surprising willingness the people set to and cleansed their houses, with the result that up to the end of the year 18,983 floors were cleansed and up to the date of the last weekly return (January 23rd, 1904), 23,784 floors. That such a general cleansing is really required is shown by the great quantity of domestic rubbish daily carted away from the houses being cleansed. It has been estimated that about 31 tons of rubbish has been removed daily in this way since the cleansing began.

OPEN SPACES.

A small resumption of built over land has been made in No. 6 Health District by which Lower Lascar Row has been continued to U Hing Lane. The resumption included four houses and small portions of two others, but a considerable improvement has thereby been effected providing a good open space between the backs of houses in Queen's Road Central and Circular Pathway. The large plot of land between Tai Ping Shan Street and Po Hing Fong between Square Street on the East and the new Tung Wah Hospital building on the West has been saved from the builder for the purpose of a public park. As a playground for the children of the very densely populated district below, it should prove a great benefit.

[Then follow population statistics which have already appeared, in another form, in the Registrar-General's report for 1903; and statistics of births, deaths, and the various diseases during the year. The report, apart from appendices, closes with remarks on the staff during 1903.]

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VESSELS IN DOCK.

28th May.
ABERDEEN DOCK.—
KOWLOON DOCK.—H.M.S. Hart, Yulking, U.S.S. Wisconsin, Kaifu, Hongkong, U.S.S. Oregon.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Tuan.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS—PORTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN,
DIBOUTI, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN
AND BLACK SEA PORTS,
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,
AT
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 31st May, 1904, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "ERNEST SIMONS," Captain G. Bourdon, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSITMENT.
This Steamship connects at COLOMBO with the Australian line s.s. "Caledonia," bound for MARSEILLE, via BOMBAY and ADEN.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marcellles, and accepted in transit through Marcellles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 30th May. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.
Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain Samuel Ball Smith.
DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 9.30 A.M.; from Macao week days at about 2 p.m. and Sundays about 7.30 p.m.
FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.
2nd Class \$1. 3rd Class 50 cents.
On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Dinner and Lunch on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.
Wharf at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.
The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every Sunday, and takes only 3 1/2 hours to reach Macao.
MING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.
Hongkong 5th September, 1903.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	SIMLA	Brit. str.	P. R. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	4th June, Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	21st June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	YANTISSE	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th July.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTOCK	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th July.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	E. SIMONS	Brit. str.	G. Bourdon	MESSAGIERIE MARITIME	To-morrow, 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	M. MONTHERIE	Brit. str.	H. N. Vyvyan	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	About 8th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BENSOHE	Brit. str.	.....	GIRD, LIVINGSTON & Co.	About 11th June.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	OLD SCUD	Brit. str.	.....	MELCHERS & Co.	4th June, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	31st inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	BATAVIA	Ger. str.	Dempwolf	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	14th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	28th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FRED LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	14th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BA DENIA	Ger. str.	Rorden	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	28th July.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VINDOBONA	Aust. str.	Cobol	SANDER, WHEELER & Co.	22nd June, P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KEEMUN	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th June.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	RAS ISSA	Brit. str.	.....	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	25th July.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SATSUMA	Brit. str.	.....	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 31st inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SENeca	Brit. str.	.....	STANDARD OIL Co.	About 6th June.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA N'SAKI, &c.	ARAGONIA	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	1st June.
PORTLAND, OREGON	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	.....	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	20th July.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	Ellis	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th June.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CANDIA	Brit. str.	H. F. Kitch	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	FOOCHOW	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	14th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	BAI LAARAT	Brit. str.	C. R. Longden	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	14th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TAMPAKAS	Dut. str.	.....	JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINE	2nd June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TRIMPH	Jap. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	8th June, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TRITON	Jap. str.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	5th June, 8 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TRITON	Jap. str.	H. Kraft	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	1st June, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	HAICHING	Brit. str.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.	To-morrow, Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	CHIRIL	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	PERLA	Brit. str.	A. H. Noley	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-morrow, D'light.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TAMING	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	4th June, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	TREMONT	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 5th June.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	RUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	11th June, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ	KAITONG	Brit. str.	.....	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd June.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"RAS ISSA,"
will be despatched for the above port on or about TUESDAY, the 31st inst.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1904. [1098]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)
THE Steamship
"EASTERN,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 6th June, at Noon.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th May, 1904. [1266]

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British steamship

"YING KING,"
Capt. Wm. Robinson, of 1,855 tons, Registered, is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously furnished steamer on the line, and is lighted throughout with electricity, hot and cold water service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 p.m., and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 p.m.
1st Class ... \$3.00 for Single journey
2nd ... 1.50
Meals ... 1.00 each.
The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.
YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1904. [75]

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

J. TREVOUX & CO.

HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer

"PAUL BEAU"

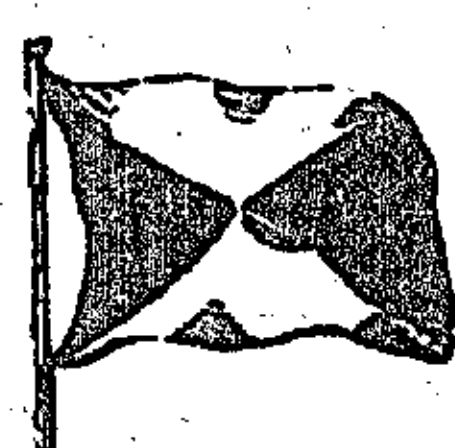
Captain Franguel, leaves Hongkong for Canton at 9 p.m., on SUNDAY, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the following days, leaving Canton at 5 p.m., taking passengers and cargo as usual.
The S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN,"
Capt. Merlin, leaves Hongkong on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at the usual hour.
These two magnificent and up-to-date steamers are lighted with Electricity.
The Saloon is under European Supervision.
First Class European ... \$8.00
Second Class European ... \$3.00
First Class Chinese ... \$1.50
Second Class Chinese ... 80
Deck ... 30
The Company's Wharf is at the end of Queen Street, Praya West.
For further particulars, apply to
J. LANDOLT, Agent,
The Pharmacy, Queen's Road Central
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [420]

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG"

951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 8.30 p.m., on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 p.m. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.
First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each.
Cargo Freight, very moderate.
CHEUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,
No. 147, Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [27]



HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
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PERLA	1980	A. H. Noley	Manila via Amoy	Tues. 31st May, D'light.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila direct	Sat., 4th June, 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila direct	Sat., 11th June, 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, 30th May, 1904. [16]

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
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ANPING, VIA SWATOW	"TRITOS"	WEDNESDAY, 1st
AND AMOY	H. KRAFT	June, at 10 A.M.
TAMSAI, VIA SWATOW	"FRITHJOF"	SUNDAY, 5th
AND AMOY	H. A. HARALDSEN	June, at 8 A.M.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	"TRIUMPH"	WEDNESDAY, 8th
AND AMOY	A. HANSEN	June, at 10 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 25th May, 1904.
T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
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YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI	CANDIA	About 31st May	Freight only.
HAL MOJI and KOBÉ (Passing through the Inland Sea)	H. E. Kitch, R.N.R.		
SHANGHAI	BALLAARAT	About 2nd June	Freight and Passage.
	C. E. Longden, R.N.R.		
LONDON, &c.	SIMLA	Noon, 4th June	See Special Advertisement.
	P. R. Summers		

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [1]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
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STRASSBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 31st May. Freight & Passengers.
Capt. Madsen	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SEGOVIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG	On 14th June. Freight.
Capt. Forck	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
BATAVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 25th June. Freight.
Capt. Dempwolf	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 6th July. Freight.
Capt. Jaburg	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
C. FRED LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 26th July. Freight.
Capt. Sachs	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
BA DENIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 10th Aug. Freight.
Capt. Rorden	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	

For Further Particulars, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.
HONGKONG OFFICE,
QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, No. 1.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
"Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.
SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

Proposed Sailings from HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 1st June.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 13th July.
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 20th July.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 3rd Aug.
Hongkong to London, 1st Class ... via St. Lawrence ... via New York ... 262.
Intermediate on Steamers ... 240.
and 1st Class Rail ... 242.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PACIFIC OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.
SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to
D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent,
9, Pedder Street.
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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to LAND PASSENGERS and LUGGAGE.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
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OLDENBURG	4th June
SACHSEN	8th June
ZIETEN	22nd June
SEIDLITZ	6th July
ROON	20th July
PREUSSEN	3rd August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	17th August
PRINZ HEINRICH	31st August
GNESSEN	14th September
BAVERN	28th September
SACHSEN	12th October
ZIETEN	26th October
PRINZESS ALICE	9th November
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	23rd November
PREUSSEN	7th December
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	21st December
PRINZ HEINRICH	4th January 1905

ON SATURDAY, the 4th day of JUNE, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "OLDENBURG," Captain R. Troitzsch, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on Thursday, the 2nd June. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on Friday, the 3rd June, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Friday, the 3rd June.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cube in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1904. [5]

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA FOR

PORTLAND, OREGON

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
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"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	June 14th, 1904.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Wagner	July 14

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dally and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow and Bangkok	Elizabeth Rickmers	Monday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Deaconess	Monday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Hengshan	Monday, 30th, 2.15 P.M.
Swatow, Chefoo, and Tientsin	Esang	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M.
Amoy and Manila	Perla	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kameluk and Samahai	Tak Hing	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtu	Taichun	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanbo	Hoi Fu	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchai	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Fatsien	Monday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Powen	Tuesday, 31st, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fecolow	Huiching	Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M.

Europe, &c., India via Taticorin. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Straits and Calcutta. Kumsang. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M.
Yucatan. Tuesday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Canton. Tuesday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Canton. Wednesday, 1 June, 7.30 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.).
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Manila. Taming. Tuesday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Canton. Tuesday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Canton. Tuesday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
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Canton. Tuesday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.

AMOI, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Europe, &c., India via Taticorin. (Late Letters 10.45 to 11.15 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Europe, &c., India via Taticorin. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

TO-DAY.

Sale, Household Furniture, 6, Granville Avenue, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, 2.30 p.m.
Annual General Meeting of Victoria Recreation Club, St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, 6 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Annual Ordinary General Meeting of A. S. Watson Co., Ltd., 10.45 a.m.
Sale, 82, Wai, Douglas Laiprak & Co.'s, Wharf, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, noon.
Sale, Household Property, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	28th May.
Telegraphic Transfer	1.92
Bank Bills, on demand	1.92
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1.92
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	1.92
Credit, at 4 months sight	1.92
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	1.92
ON PARIS.	28th May.
Bank Bills, on demand	226
Credit, at 4 months sight	226
ON GERMANY.	28th May.
Bank Bills, on demand	183
Credit, at 4 months sight	183
ON NEW YORK.	28th May.
Bank Bills, on demand	431
Credit, at 60 days sight	441
ON BOMBAY.	28th May.
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON CALCUTTA.	28th May.
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON BANGKOK.	28th May.
Bank, at sight	72
Private, 30 days sight	72
ON YOKOHAMA.	28th May.
On demand	Nominal
ON MANILA.	28th May.
On demand	Nominal
ON SINGAPORE.	28th May.
On demand	Nominal
ON BATAVIA.	28th May.
On demand	107
ON HAIPHONG.	28th May.
On demand	24 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.	28th May.
On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK.	28th May.
On demand	63
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$57.50
BAR SILVER, per tael	\$51

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—	Allow 10 cts. net to 1 catty.
Malwa New	\$10.00 to \$10.50 per picul
Malwa Old	\$11.00 to \$11.50 "
Malwa Older	\$12.00 to \$12.50 "
Malwa V. Old	\$13.00 to \$13.50 "
Peruvian Inequity	\$18.00 to "
Peruvian Extra Fine	\$20.00 to "
Patana New	\$12.50 to "
Patana Old	\$12.00 to "
Peonars New	\$12.50 to "
Peonars Old	\$12.00 to "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China steamer *Leviathan* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 21st inst., and may be expected here on the 6th prox.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Oldenburg* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Thursday, the 26th inst., and may be expected here on Friday, the 3rd prox., a.m.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz* left Colombo on the 28th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 8th prox.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. steamer *Hongkong*, from San Francisco to the 7th inst., via Honolulu, &c., left Yokohama for this port on the 30th inst., a.m., via Inland Sea, &c.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Tuesday, the 24th inst., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The C. & M. steamer *Perla* left Manila on Friday, p.m., and is due here to-day, at daylight.

The C.N. steamer *Chihli*, from Tientsin, left

Ideal Milk



Enriched 20 per cent. with Cream.

Sterilized—Not Sweetened.

A Perfect Substitute for Fresh Milk.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	100/10, sellers
Nat'l Bank of China	48	38, buyers
A. Shares	28	38, buyers
B. Shares	21	40, buyers
Foun. Shares	41	40, sellers
Bank of Communications	100	100, nominal
China Bank	100	100, nominal
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
China Sugar	100	100, buyers
Cigar Companies	500	500, nominal
Philippine Co., Ltd.	1	94, sellers
Cotton Mills	100	100, sellers
International	100	100, sellers
Laun Kung Mow	100	100, sellers
Soyabean	100	100, sellers
Dairy Farm	100	100, buyers
Funvic & Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Green Island Cement	100	100, buyers
Hongkong & C. Co.	100	100, buyers
Hongkong Electric	100	100, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	100	100, buyers
Harbour Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Hongkong Hotel	100	100, buyers
Hongkong Ice	100	100, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	100	100, buyers
Hongkong Rope	100	100, buyers
U. & W. Dock	100	100, buyers
Insurance	100	100, buyers
Canton	100	100, buyers
China Traders	100	100, buyers
China Bank	100	100, buyers
North China	100	100, buyers
Union	100	100, buyers
Yangtze	100	100, buyers
Land and Building	100	100, buyers
Hongkong Land Inv.	100	100, buyers
Humphreys E.	100	100, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	100	100, buyers
West Point Building	100	100, buyers
Shanghai Land	100	100, buyers
Luzon Sugar	100	100, buyers
Charbonnages	100	100, buyers
Punjab	100	100, buyers
Do. Preference	100	100, buyers
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New Asia Dock	100	100, buyers
Kowloon	100	100, buyers
Steamship Coys.	100	100, buyers
China and Manila	100	100, buyers
Douglas Steamship	100	100, buyers
H. Canton and M.	100	100, buyers
Indo-China S. N.	100	100, buyers
Sao Paulo and M.	100	100, buyers
Tramway Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Do. Preference	100	100, buyers
Star Ferry	100	100, buyers
S. C. F. & Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
S. C. F. & Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Tobacco Planting Co.	100	100, buyers
United Asbestos	100	100, buyers
Do.	100	100, buyers
Watkins, Ltd.	100	100, buyers
Watson & Co., Ltd.	100	100, buyers

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM.

WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	NIGHT DAYS.
7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.	7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
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